

## Christmas Globes for the State Tree Delivery Date !!!!

Thank you to everyone who picked up the globes used to decorate the State Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. The Rockin' Roosters 4-H Club will host a party at the Valley Bank of Belgrade at 6:30 pm on **Monday, November 10, 2008** to collect all of the globes and look at all the hard work put into this unique project. Be sure to get your globes in at that time as they will be shipped to Washington DC by November 17. If you are unable to attend, please return the globes to the 4-H office before November 10th and we will get them to the party.



## MSU Freshman Scholarships

Montana State University in Bozeman will be awarding a large number of freshmen scholarships to Montana residents who apply for admission for fall 2009. Students are encouraged to act soon, as these scholarships will be available for a limited time. To be considered, students must apply for admission and have their ACT and/or SAT test scores sent to MSU directly from the testing company. The scholarships range from \$500 to \$10,000 depending on the students' ACT and/or SAT test scores. If students qualify, many scholarships will be awarded once students' test scores have been received and they have been admitted to the university. MSU will also be awarding a limited number of Presidential Scholarships. These awards provide full tuition waivers and generous stipends for four years. A cumulative GPA of 3.75 and a composite score of 30 on the ACT or 2000 total SAT are expected of applicants. To be considered, students must apply for admission and complete the Presidential Scholarship Application by Jan. 9, 2009. More information can be found at <http://www.montana.edu/admissions/scholarships.shtml>

## Junior Ag Loan Programs from the Montana Department of Agriculture

The Junior Agriculture Loan is available to active members of FFA, 4-H, and other recognized agricultural youth organizations are eligible for this program. Parents or guardians must be willing to cooperate with prospective borrowers and have ample facilities available to provide for the project. Applicants should be between the ages of nine and twenty-one, Montana residents, and citizens of the United States of America. Youth ages 9-11 may borrow a maximum of \$3,500 for up to a five years. Youth ages 12-21 may borrow a maximum of \$8,500 for up to five years. Application forms are available on the web: [www.agr.state.mt.us/business/JrAgLoans.asp](http://www.agr.state.mt.us/business/JrAgLoans.asp)

## Western Regional Leaders Forum (WRLF)

WRLF will be held in Denver, CO from Feb 25- March 1. A tentative schedule and registration is available online at <http://colorado4h.org/wrlf09/>. Be sure to let the office know if you are planning on going, there is opportunity to car-pool to Denver with others from Montana.

## State 4-H Horse Committee and State 4-H Livestock Committee Members Needed

The time has come to establish a State 4-H Livestock Committee similar to the State 4-H Horse Committee. Terms will be 3 years beginning and ending in January. The State 4-H Office will be accepting applications through December 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be places available for two volunteers and two teens per 4-H District plus agents.

It is time to nominate volunteers and teens to serve on the Montana 4-H Horse Committee. Since this is virtually a new beginning, the positions will be staggered in 1 year, 2 year, and 3 year terms so that the entire committee does not turn over at the time of the next election. All teen (4-H age 14 and up) positions are for one year and teens may repeat their term of office until they are no longer in 4-H. Adults may repeat only once and then must have a year's absence before serving again.

Contact the Extension Office for more information if you are interested in applying for one of these State Committees.

## Fund Raising Opportunity

Is your project or club interested in fundraising? Here an opportunity for you. Looking for someone to run a concession stand for the Winter Series Rodeos being held at the Kountz Arena. There is one rodeo between Christmas and New Years, 2 rodeos in January, 2 in February, and one in March. If you are interested please call Capi at 586-8379 for more details.